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Serial No. 09/493,741)
Filed: January 28, 2000)
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD)
FOR SEPARATION OF LIQUID)
PHASES OF DIFFERENT)
DENSITY AND FOR FLUOROUS)
PHASE ORGANIC SYNTHESIS)

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Sir:

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants wish to draw the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the references cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449. Copies of the references are enclosed.

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Further, in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c) and 1.97(e)(1), the undersigned certifies that references 1-2, 7-10, 12-14 listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 were cited in the International Search Report dated October 19, 2000 for a counterpart PCT application. As such, the filing of the instant Information Disclosure Statement is within three months of the date of that International Search Report and, therefore, need not be accompanied by the fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). A copy of the International Search Report for the counterpart PCT application is enclosed herewith.

As to the remaining references, Applicants believe that the references are submitted prior to the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3)). As such, the instant Information Disclosure Statement need not be accompanied by the fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

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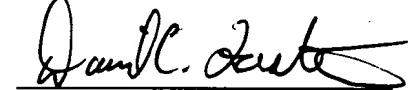
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Respectfully submitted,

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